

MIDDLE SCHOOLERS

Don't miss these page-turners!

8th Grade Superzero

by Olugbemisola Rhuday-Perkovich

The school year starts with Reggie barfing on stage in front of everyone. How could it possibly get worse? *Arthur A. Levine*, 2010

Akata Witch

by Nnedi Okorafor

When Sunny discovers powers that have been passed through her family, things start to make sense—and get exciting. *Viking*, 2011

The Alchemyst (The Secrets of the Immortal Nicholas Flamel)

by Michael Scott

A mysterious book. Secret formulas. Everlasting life. Two siblings find themselves caught up in a battle between good and evil. *Delacorte Press, 2007*

The Big Crunch

by Pete Hautman

This sweet, realistic love story tells the tale of two teens who are both figuring out who they are. *Scholastic*, 2011

The Cardturner

by Louis Sachar

When asked to be a cardturner for his wealthy uncle, Alton learns about a lot more than bridge. *Delacorte, 2010*

Everlost

by Neal Shusterman

Caught between the world of the living and the dead, Nick and Allie keep moving to survive in this fast-paced adventure. *Simon & Schuster, 2006*

Fever Crumb

by Philip Reeve

In a dark, future London full of bizarre inventions, a young girl has memories that are not her own. *Scholastic*, 2010

Girl at Sea

by Maureen Johnson

When Clio's unpredictable father takes her on a sailing expedition, romance and adventure ensue. *Harper Teen, 2007*

Graceling

by Kristin Cashore

Katsa, a girl assassin, meets her match and sets out to save the kingdom. *Harcourt*, 2008



H.I.V.E.: Higher Institute of Villainous Education

by Mark Walden

A group of kids that have been hand-selected to be the next Supervillains try to start a revolution. Simon & Schuster, 2008

I'll Be There

by Holly Goldberg Sloan

Two damaged boys meet a family that might change their lives. *Little Brown, 2011*

The Knife of Never Letting Go

by Patrick Ness

The last boy and the only girl on a woman-less planet set off to find some answers. *Candlewick, 2008*

Lost and Found

by Shaun Tan

The talented Shaun Tan weaves three short illustrated tales. *Arthur A. Levine Books, 2011*

Lost in the River of Grass

by Ginny Rorby

Separated from their school group in the Florida Everglades, two teens have to find their way back to civilization. *Carolrhoda*, 2011

The Maze Runner

by James Dashner

Thomas wakes up in a center of a maze and must figure out how to escape in this dark adventure. *Delacorte*, 2009

Middle School is Worse than Meatloaf

by Jennifer Holm

The story of a girl's 7th grade year told through her things: notes, lists, schedules, receipts, and more. *Atheneum*, 2007

Schooled

by Gordan Korman

A boy who has been raised on a secluded farm commune is thrust into a busy middle school. *Hyperion*, 2007

Shiver

by Maggie Stiefvater

Grace's intense interest in the wolves in her backyard takes and unexpected turn in this paranormal romance. *Scholastic*, 2009

Teashop Girls

by Laura Schaefer • illustrated by Sujean Rim

Three old friends unite to save their favorite tea shop from going under. Simon & Schuster, 2008

Three Rivers Rising

by Jame Richard

This sweeping romance is set in the days leading up to the 1889 Johnstown flood. *Knopf, 2010*

The True Meaning of Smekday

by Adam Rex

A girl and a renegade alien named Jennifer Lopez travel across the country in this hilarious adventure. *Hyperion*, 2007

Trapped

by Michael Northrop

A bunch of teens get trapped in their school during a blizzard that won't end. *Scholastic*, 2011

Under the Baseball Moon

by John H. Ritter

Andy (a trumpet player) and Gloria (a softball whiz) find a unique way to inspire each other in this funky book. *Philomel*, 2006

When You Reach Me

by Rebecca Stead

A bunch of mysterious letters turns a New York City family's world upside down. *Wendy Lamb, 2009*

What I Saw and How I Lied

by Judy Blundell

Family secrets abound in this vintage mystery set in the 1940's. *Scholastic, 2008*